

PEN-BASED SPLIT COMPUTER DISPLAY

Abstract

A split display for a laptop computer may include a first display that is hinged to a base unit and displays conventional computer output. A second display that accepts input from a pen device may be hinged to the first display. The first and second displays may be used concurrently to enable both conventional computer output and pen-based capabilities. Also, the first and second displays may be used together as a single large display, or the displays may be used individually. A split display system may allow the first display to be folded around its hinge to rest against the back of the first display, thereby forming a standard laptop display. Additionally, the first display may be folded down to rest on the base unit, forming a pen-based tablet with the second display.